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Dear George,

I was more impressed than you realize when you told me Bob Cutler has accused you, to the Rules committee, of being an assassin.

I guess that except for myself you are the only accused assassin I knew. I have seniority over you but I grant yours is the more important assassination.

All I did is assassinate the Garrison "investigation," according to Penn Jones. From him I also learn that I did it for the CIA. Hell, if Jones is to be believed, CIA assassins are a dime a dozen.

What you did, as Cutler seems to have it, is unique. Being an assassin is now not all that unusual. But you are the ONLY one of whom I know who has assassinated an assassin. One of the most important men in history, as I think I've heard said.

No wonder you grew a beard, you cunning rascal. Who would not do at least that after assassinating David Ferrie, the conspirer against the assassinated JFK!

(I'm not Larry Schiller, but wanna deal for your story -first person, exclusive?)

I hope you fully appreciate the risk I run in even writing you! Especially with my Jelly Green Giant T-shirt in the laundry basket. I am without protection.

Joking aside, after we spoke I remembered that Garrison told me and others, one of whom at least is still a reporter, that Ferrie committed suicide with preloid, the message I left for you before I had to go into town on an errand.

After supper I was catching up on some odds and ends people have been good enough to send me and there you are all over again. You assassins sure get careless now.

See do I. I let another reporter used my copying machine while I was on this errand. He left it gummed up and I can't have a service call before Monday. So please return the enclosed January 20, 1977 mailing of what calls itself the Assassination Information Bureau.

This is not its first announcement of or appeal for contributions for its new Washington office. But the second of its three reasons for this expansion may interest you, to "provide responsible (sic) scholars (sic) and researchers access to the Committee staff." (You assassins are so bloody perhaps it was careless of me to mark these places in red. Especially when on the second page you are described as "aggressive" in the Ferrie offing.)

If you skip to the fourth page you'll find this AIB dates to 1972. Page three gives its "formal" incorporation as 1974. Since then it says it has delivered "over 500 audio-visual presentations on the J.F.K. assassination." They fail to say for pay. I have not heard of them getting less than \$600 per.

For their crime paid.

Why they promote Oglesby's book only I do not know. Katz and Harvey Yazjian made some of the wilder speeches for pay and Yazjian did some kind of book I've not seen.

Sincerely,